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In re Application of:

HITOSHI TSUBOI, ET AL.

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2002 to February 24, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Office Action of October 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as set forth herein.

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